GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3942
ANSWERED ON:22.08.2003
COTTON YARN TO HANDLOOM WEAVERS
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have provided cotton yarn to handloom weavers in the country at subsidised rates through State Handloom Development Corporation;

(b) if so, the subsidies provided to weavers during the last two years and current year, State-wise particularly in Maharashtra;

(c) whether the Union Government have received some complaints regarding misuse of cotton yarn provided at subsidy rate by the weavers;

(d) if so, the number of complaints received by the Government particularly in Maharashtra during the above period; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government thereon?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI BASANAGOUDA R. PATIL (YATNAL)

(a)&(b) Ministry of Textiles is implementing the Mill Gate Price Scheme,under which the National Handloom Development Corporation(NHDC), a Government of India Undertaking is arranging supply of all types of yarn required for the handloom weavers and their organisaitons at Mill Gate Price. The expenditure for transportation of yarn from the Mill Gate to the godown of the handloom agencies is being reimbursed by NHDC to the agencies and then by Government of India to NHDC. NHDC has reimbursed a sum o Rs.211.91 lakh and Rs.55.39 lakh to the handloom agencies in various states during 2001-02 and 2002-03 respectively. Statewise details of reimbursement is given at Annexure-I. No claims have been received during 2003-04 for reimbursement.

Further the competent authority has approved the Scheme for Reimbursement of CENVAT on Hank Yarn with effect from 1st April, 2003, and approved the arrangements for such reimbursement made for the period from 01.03.2002 to 31.03.2003.

As per this arrangement, NHDC had supplied yarn worth about Rs.890.00 lakh and Rs.24190.00 lakh during 2001-02 and 2002-03 respectively and the benefit of Rs.82.67 lakh and Rs.2225.80 lakh were passed on for this period to the handloom weavers/handloom agencies in various States. Statewise, yearwise details of benefit passed on to the handloom agencies is given at Annexure-II

The following releases were also made to State Governments during 2003-04 under the above arrangements, for supplies made by state agencies:

Sl.No. Name of the State Amount Released (Rs.in lakhs)

1. Andhra Pradesh 14.07

2. Kerala 6.66

3. West Bengal 5.33

(c) to (e) No complaints were received from Maharashtra during the last 2 years about misuse of subsidy provided under the above scheme/arrangements.

Annexures referred to in reply to parts (a) and (b) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question NO.3942 for answer on 22.8.2003.

Annexure - I

Statement showing the Statewise/Yearwise reimbursement of transportation charges made by National Handloom Development

Corporation under Mill Gate Price Scheme during 2001-02 and 2002-03.

(Rs.in lakh)

Sl.No.	Name of State/ UT	Reimbursement made during 2001-02	2002-03
1	Andhra Pradesh	10.36	8.52
2	Assam	1.49	-
3	Bihar	4.41	2.14
4	Chhattisgarh	0.43	1.36
5	Gujrat	0.05	-
6	Haryana	4.39	2.66
7	Himachal Pradesh	0.03	0.04
8	Karnataka	21.98	14.63
9	Kerala	30.68	-
10	Madhya Pradesh	3.82	0.37
11	Maharashtra	0.99	0.10
12	Manipur	0.07	-
13	Meghalaya	0.17	-
14	Mizoram	0.37	-
15	Orissa	0.77	-
16	Punjab	0.11	0.04
17	Pondicherry	1.48	-
18	Rajasthan	0.25	-
19	Sikkim	0.01	-
20	Tamilnadu	98.62	19.76
21	Tripura	7.41	-
22	Uttar Pradesh	9.45	5.77
23	West Bengal	14.57	-
	Total:	211.91	55.39

Annexure-II

Statement showing the Statewise/Yearwise details of the benefit of reimbursement of CENVAT made by National Handloom Development Corporation during 2001-02 and 2002-03.

(Rs.in lakh)

Sl.No.	Name of State/ UT	Benefit of CENVAT passed on to the handloom agencies 2001-02	2002-03
1.	Andhra Pradesh	4.05	101.15
2.	Chhattisgarh	1.52	12.61
3.	Gujrat	-	1.18
4.	Madhya Pradesh	0.56	12.99
5.	Maharashtra	-	0.87
6.	Karnataka	0.51	36.17
7	Kerala	8.67	221.58
8.	Orissa	0.25	3.95

9. Pondicherry 1.42 12.01
10. Tamilnadu 65.39 1812.51
11. Tripura - 6.50
12. West Bengal 0.30 4.28

Total: 82.67 2225.80